IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Wells et al.

Serial No.: 09/482,653(Reissue of 5,707,331)

Examiner: COOLEY, Charles

Filed: January 13, 2000

For: AUTOMATIC MULTIPLE

DECANTING CENTRIFUGE

AND CONTAINER THEREFOR

REISSUE DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned applicants hereby declare as follows:

- 1. We believe the original patent to be partly inoperative or invalid by reason of our claiming less than we had the right to claim in the patent.
- 2. An error in the original patent was the failure to claim overlooked embodiments that provide treatment of physiological fluids in a centrifuge in such a manner that sterility of the fluids is maintained during treatment.
- 3. All errors that are being corrected in the present reissue application up to the time of filing this declaration arose without any deceptive intention on our part.
- 4. We have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims.
- 5. We believe ourselves to be the original and first inventors of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought.
- 6. We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

- 7. All statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 USC §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, and patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.
- 8. We hereby appoint Conrad J. Clark (Reg. No. 30, 340) and Christopher W. Brody (Reg. No. 33,613) as our attorneys to prosecute this application, with full powers of substitution. Please send all correspondence to:

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